ABSTRACT

A hearing aid includes a microphone 21 for detecting the speech to generate speech signals, a signal processor 22 for performing speech recognition processing using the speech signals, a speech information generating unit for working on or transforming the result of recognition depending on the bodily state, the using state or the using objectives of the user, a display unit 26 for generating a control signal for outputting the result of recognition and/or the result of recognition worked on or transformed for presentation to the user, and a speech enhancement unit 25. The speech uttered by a hearing-impaired person is worked on or transformed for presentation to the user. On the other hand, the speech from outside is worked on or transformed for presentation to the user.